

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Amended) A dental x-ray positioning device comprising:
 - a frame comprised of:
 - first and second structural members rotatably coupled to one another;
 - a first bar connected to said first structural member, said first bar having
 - a bite block slidably connected to the first barframe; and
 - an image receptor holder spaced from the bite block and connected to the first bar; and
 - a second bar connected to said second structural member so as to be oriented essentially 90° with respect to the first bar, said second bar having
 - an arm attached to said second bar and oriented essentially parallel to said first bar, said arm having an aiming ring slidably connected to the armframe; and
 - ~~an image receptor holder connected to the frame;~~
 - wherein the aiming ring and image receptor holder are adjustable both horizontally and vertically relative to one another so as to allow the center of an x-ray beam directed through the aiming ring to be adjustable horizontally and vertically relative to the center of an image receptor retained by the image receptor holder.

2. (Amended) A dental x-ray positioning device as defined in claim 1, further comprising an image receptor attached to the image receptor holder.

3 - 4 (Cancelled)

5. (Amended) A dental x-ray positioning device as defined in claim 41, wherein the bite block is interchangeable with other variously configured bite blocks.

6. (Amended) A dental x-ray positioning device as defined in claim 41, wherein the first bar includes markings so as to measure adjustments of the bite block.

7. (Original) A dental x-ray positioning device as defined in claim 6, wherein the markings include indentations.

8 - 9 (Cancelled)

10. (Amended) A dental x-ray positioning device as defined in claim 91, wherein the arm includes markings so as to measure adjustments of the aiming ring along the arm.

11. (Amended) A dental x-ray positioning device as defined in claim 10, wherein the markings include indentations.

12. (Amended) A dental x-ray positioning device as defined in claim 81, wherein the arm includes a curved portion.

13. (Amended) A dental x-ray positioning device as defined in claim 31, wherein the first bar comprises a plurality of rods.

14. (Amended) A dental x-ray positioning device as defined in claims 81 or 12, wherein the second bar comprises a plurality of rods.

15. (Amended) A dental x-ray positioning device as defined in claim 1, wherein the image receptor holder is a u-shaped clip capable of holding ~~ansaid~~ image receptor between the clips.

16. (Amended) A dental x-ray positioning device as defined in claim 1, wherein the ~~frame comprises first and second structural members, the first structural member having~~ markings so as to measure vertical adjustments of the image receptor holder.

17 - 20 (Cancelled)

21. (New) A dental x-ray positioning device comprising:

a frame comprised of

a first means for slidably positioning a bite block relative to an image receptor holder;

a second means for slidably positioning an aiming ring in an essentially parallel fashion relative to the image receptor; and

means for rotatably coupling the first and second means so as that the aiming ring and image receptor holder are vertically adjustable relative to one another so as to allow the center of an x-ray beam directed through the aiming ring to be adjustable horizontally and vertically relative to the center of an image receptor retained by the image receptor holder.